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SUBJECT: US ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM VISIT TO EAST BERLIN

1. AS ADDRESSEES WILL BE AWARE, A SMALL US ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM HEADED BY JOAN M. CLARK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, WILL CONTINUE WORK ON ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A FUTURE EMBASSY IN BERLIN. THE TEAM WILL ARRIVE IN BERLIN ON AUGUST 11.

2. WE INTEND TO ISSUE NO PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS VISIT AND HAVE ASKED THE GDR TO FOLLOW A SIMILAR PRACTICE. IT IS NONETHELESS LIKELY THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE US ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM WILL BECOME A MATTER OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE. SHOULD THIS HAPPEN, PRESS INQUIRIES SHOULD BE ANSWERED ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES:

Q: WHY HAS THE US SENT A FURTHER TEAM TO BERLIN AT THIS TIME?

A: A SMALL GROUP OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERTS HAS ARRIVED TO CONTINUE WORK ON PROPERTY QUESTIONS CONNECTED WITH A FUTURE
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US EMBASSY IN BERLIN. THE VISIT IS EXPECTED TO LAST ONLY

A FEW DAYS, AND NO POLITICAL MEANING SHOULD BE READ INTO IT. THE UNITED STATES SUSPENDED DISCUSSIONS WITH GDR NEGOTIATORS IN WASHINGTON ON JULY 31 WITHOUT REACHING AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS. NO DECISION HAS YET BEEN MADE TO INVITE GDR REPRESENTATIVES BACK TO WASHINGTON, AND THAT DECISION WILL BE MADE ON THE BASIS OF POLITICAL ISSUES WHOLLY UNCONNECTED WITH THE WORK OR COMPETENCE OF THIS TEAM.

Q: WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS IF THE TALKS ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS HAVE BEEN BROKEN OFF?

A: BOTH SIDES HAVE AGREED TO CONTINUE TO WORK TO RESOLVE PRACTICAL ISSUES CONNECTED WITH THE SETTING UP OF RESPECTIVE EMBASSIES, EVEN THOUGH NO AGREEMENT HAS BEEN MADE TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. A SMALL GDR TECHNICAL TEAM IS NOW IN WASHINGTON, AND WE ACCEPTED A GDR INVITATION TO SEND A SMALL US TEAM TO BERLIN TO COMPLETE OUR OWN ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS. KISSINGER

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